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HE LOOKS LIKE IT.

UNCLE SAM—"*Have* I had a prosperous FREE-TRADE administration? Well, I should smile!"

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TOO MUCH LIBERTY is allowed the prisoners at Sing Sing. We see that that place has gone Democratic.

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IT TAKES a scoundrel to needlessly cut down in an hour a tree which it has taken fifty years to grow.

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THERE WAS ONE good thing about the report that Whitcomb Riley was going to die. It wasn't so.

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THE SUNDAY NEWSPAPER is not altogether given up to horrors, because some space must be reserved for scandals.

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BY THE WAY, there's Brother Russell A. Alger. He is so dark that he can't be seen, and he doesn't propose to run until he gets there.

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THE LEGISLATURE of Kentucky didn't want to stab itself to death, but it looked upon Governor Bradley as a fine substitute for the corpse.

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THOMAS HARDY, they say, looks as if he were always recovering from a severe illness. We suspect that man of reading some of his own books.

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BROTHER REED was seen to go out with a lighted lantern the other night, and was heard to inquire in a hoarse whisper, "Seen anything of my boom lately?"

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TIMES ARE BETTER. We get a thousand jokes a day regarding the new light, and every one of them shows that the salary of a worker has been raised ten dollars.

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"NOTHING BUT HEAVEN," says Max O'Rell, "can be prettier than an American girl on her bicycle." Aye, aye! The more we see of that girl the better we like her.

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A WOMAN in New Hampshire who is one hundred years old and attributes her great age to piety ought to have a second childhood in order to enjoy a little thoughtless, heedless, careless fun.

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THE MAN who knows how to catch trout will never kill himself in April; and if he catches a cold that leads to serious sickness the memories involved will be such medicine as will make him live as long as he can.

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WE HAVE GROWN so familiar with dispatches announcing the murder of thousands of Christians by Turks that they no longer attract unusual attention. It is an astounding fact. The nations have hardened their hearts against them, and the churches, though not indifferent, have to a large extent ceased to discuss them. That is degeneracy.

A NATURAL MISTAKE.

NANNIE GOAT (*bleating*)—"Ma-ha-ha-ha!"
MR. MAHER (*indignantly*)—"Av Oi lay oyes an th' voice-t'rower thot mocks my name phin Oi pass here Oi'll shut aff his wind."

THE IMPERIAL LAW.

IT IS TRUE that Mrs. Maybrick was wrongly convicted, but what is that in comparison with the confession that would be involved in her release that English law sometimes makes a mistake? It is true that injustice by the law is crime; but if the crime is rectified as far as possible something of the law's awful dignity is sacrificed—and that will never, never do.

DESPERATE REMEDIES.

THE REVEREND ANNA SHAW says she will remain in California until that state gives women the right of suffrage. The lady is desperate enough; but we are glad she doesn't adopt the political foolishness of the Jerseyman who didn't shave for many years because New Jersey didn't get a certain kind of governor. But women are changing rapidly. We expect to see that woman yet.

AMBITIOUS AGE.

THE LATE MR. TILDEN struggled so hard to appear young and healthy that the struggle killed him. There ought to be a warning for our later governor in this thing. Then there is the too ambitious liar. When he says, in the Buffalo *Express*, that Mr. Morton milks all the cows on his farm before breakfast he exerts himself too dangerously. Or perhaps he means to say that Mr. Platt does the milking?

THE RICE IN HIS HAT.

THERE IS MUCH in Harrison's hint that there is a difference between volunteering and being drafted. Harrison may differ from Artemus Ward, who said firmly, during the war, "If I'm drafted I shall resign." The success of McKinley invites combinations that may easily include the ex-president. And a man young enough to marry has ambitions other than those of that kind. As we have already suggested, ask Mrs. Harrison.

R. K. AS A PAPA.

WE HAVE the information from one source that Rudyard Kipling is tired of Vermont and wants to return to England, and from another that a babe has been born to him. The inference is obvious, but we warn Mr. Kipling that he can't escape a legitimate responsibility in that way. Let him put up his hands and face the music. It will do him great good. Many reporters want to interview him, and after a close acquaintance with the child he will learn to tolerate them—or anybody else.

THE MAN OF WRATH.

IT HARDLY seems possible for Hill to be the Democratic candidate for governor of New York this fall, and especially when he must run, if at all, on a platform in behalf of home rule for cities and in opposition to Rooseveltism and the Raines law. He has had that experience once, even to the essence of the liquor business, and when he got out of it it seemed to the general public, including himself, as if he had encountered all the ragged edges of a large saw-mill. But if he doesn't run for governor what can he do? Such men as Hill never retire and never die.

THE MIXED JURY.

THE HALF-AND-HALF JURY, composed half of men and half of women, is more likely to be an absurdity than a success. In divorce and similar cases it is quite impossible for men and women to take the same views. They cannot occupy the same standpoint, and their understandings of situations and facts are totally different. Men are just as a rational conclusion, and women are to a considerable extent influenced by prejudice. The half-and-half jury would inevitably disagree in most cases, or its verdict would be a matter of suffering and endurance. But is it fair to women to keep them out of the jury-box? Not at all. And as for the harmonizing of the fact and the justice, you can fix it yourself; we can't.

JUDGMENTS FROM MR. MCGARVEY.

CONDINSED milk—One taste t' th' quar-rt.

It's a felly's timper he'd niver lose if he had no patience.

It's most anything at all they call nobbility across th' say.

Faith, if Christmas come in th' summer it's th' merrier 'twould be for th' poor.

Divil a bit av chin-whiskers do some fellies git only on th' top av their hids.

It's th' wrong koind av poloiteniss intoirely thot lades a sickly felly t' shtand on his wake little hoind ligs t' give a strong, hilthy woman a sate.

It's mesilf thot shot a duck once a floyin' over me hid, an' down came both ligs an' a ton av fithers, an' th' crature flew aff unharmed. Thot's loike th' offices in politics.

Par-raties alone won't support loife. It's me daughter thot rid th' same in th' *Ladies' Own Paper*. Arrah! thin it's mesilf thot must 've doied two years before Oi lift ould Oireland.

DAVID H. TALMADGE.

UNACCOUNTABLE.

MRS. MILLYUNS—"Has the count asked you for any money yet?"
MR. MILLYUNS—"No."
MRS. MILLYUNS—"That looks strange. You don't suppose he's bogus, do you?"

A NOONDAY TILT ON THE SECTION.

REAGAN—"If Oi were you, Dutchy, Oi'd brish thot floy aff me nose."
DUTCHY—"Ha-ha! ish dot so? Mebbe you prush id off you'sel' best; id's nearer to you vot it vos to me."

REWARD OF THRIFT.

HE COUNTED his pennies and piled up his dollars;
He never took time for a rest.
He scoffed at stiff wristbands and scouted at collars;
He said he would feather his nest.

The plainest of food he would take for his dinner;
The alms that he gave they were small.
Now that he is gone his heirs say the old sinner
Left nothing to mention at all.

A tomb that is marble surrounds the remains of
The thrifty old chap snug and nice;
But the nephews and nieces who thrive on the gains of
The dead man, they kick at the price.

H. S. KELLER.

THE PRECISE REASON.

AN EDINBURGH lawyer was given to swearing. One night his small boy was sitting by him, studying arithmetic. The father broke out, "What on earth ails you? Why can't you sit still—wriggling and writhing every minute?"

"It's all your fault," blubbered the boy.

"Why is it?"

"Cos I asked you last night how much a billion was and you said it was 'a d—— lot.' The teacher asked me the same question to-day and I said the same thing. And that's why I can't keep still."

APPROPRIATE.

SAINT PETER—"What are you bringing that for? Go back and get the gentleman a jew's-harp."

A CIVIL ENGINEER.

Photo. by Falk.

JUDGE'S FAVORITES.

MRS. HENRY C. MINER, NÉE O'NEILL.

So, gentle Annie, you have verified
What I predicted, not so long ago—
That, having worn in play the orange-blow,
You should be "sure enough" a happy bride.
Now, really, for my prediction's sake,
I ought to have a piece of wedding-cake.

INCOGNITO.

THE soul is born incognito,
What it may be we little know.
Whether comes ancient friend or foe,
Unrecognized all come and go;
The soul remains—incognito.

KATHRINE GROSJEAN.

THE SMALL BOY'S POSER.

THE grammar class had had "army" to parse, and being of one accord had parsed it as being in the masculine gender.

The long-suffering teacher had for fifteen minutes expended her gray matter in an eloquent and logical statement proving to the juvenile intellect that the horses, arms, accoutrements, commissary supplies and other paraphernalia of an army technically make it neuter gender. One budding mind refused to be convinced.

"Well, Harry?"

"Please, ma'am, do women ever go to war?"

"N-not very often, Harry."

"And is 'army' always neuter gender?"

"Yes—grammatically considered."

"Please, ma'am, what gender is the salvation army?"

PROCRASTINATION.

"HAVE you noticed how extravagantly Mrs. Murray-Hill is dressing this season?"

"Yes, indeed. Her husband has been losing heavily on 'change of late, and she is evidently making the most of her present opportunity."

HER BEST WANT.

A WEALTHY unmarried lady concluded to go to California, and to visit her relatives along the route in the different states. She had many peculiarities, and the relatives all wished to please her. One of them wrote to a relative she had just visited and asked, "What can I do for her? What does she eat? What does she like?" The response came, "I hear you have a bright, attractive, good-looking clergyman. Perhaps she'd like him."

CONCEITED people are seldom jealous.

RIGHTEOUS WRATH.

No, dear reader; this is not the barn-storming "star" who is being so roughly handled by the incensed audience. It is only Jones, who threw that unsavory egg too low—that is all.

THE KENTUCKY COLONEL—"Ring twice for ice-water? Well, I'll just go yer"—— (*Bang! bang!*)

AROUND THE GROCERY STOVE.

IT WAS at the corner grocery. The man on the cracker-barrel had told the story of how old Grandfather J. J. Astor had laid the foundations of the present generous fortune of the Astor family by trading for furs with the Indians, in all of which dealings the shrewd old trader used his foot as his standard pound weight.

"And when he wanted to get a good pound," the story-teller finished, "he'd press down on the foot."

There was a long, expressive silence. It was only broken finally by the practical groceryman.

"And I suppose," said he thoughtfully, "when he wanted to weigh two pounds he put both feet in the scales and stood up in them."

IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN WORSE.

UNCLE JOSH (*as he is lifted from the railroad wreck*)—"W-w-whar am I?"
RESCUER—"You are about forty miles from Hohokus. Your train went through a draw-bridge."
UNCLE JOSH (*with a sigh of relief*)—"Thank th' Lord! I've bin dreamin' thet I wuz t' home an' Betsey hed one uv her tantrums."

POPULAR SONG ADAPTED TO POKER.
"Just tell them that you 'saw' me."

A CRISIS.
THE JUDGE (*inexorably*)—"Either put that worm on the hook, Miss Bloomer, or go back to dresses."

HIS THEORY.

"DAVIE," Edith asked, "why do folks comb their heads?"

"Huh!" Davie looked at his sister with an expression of pity. "Why do folks rake their gardens? T' make th' hair grow, little goose."

THE DAY WAS OVER.

"WHY, Frances, dear," said mamma, "don't you know it's Sunday? You mustn't get out your playthings."

"Oh, it's night now," replied little Frances. "De Lord 's done wiv his day."

WHAT SHE WANTED.
MR. HENPEC—"Do you see anything wrong with this hat?"
HIS FRIEND—"No; why?"
MR. HENPEC—"Well, when I wear that hat my wife is always kicking at it."
HIS FRIEND—"Well, it's plain she wants you to get her a position in the ballet."

PUZZLE OF THE DOG-SHOW.

A LADY unaccustomed to aristocratic dogs attended the dog-show. Looking at a rare canine, and not wishing to expose her ignorance, she whispered to her companion, "Tell me, which end of that dog is his head on?"

A DRAWBACK.

Mrs. Hobnobs—"I shall have to try another French maid; this one won't do."

Hobnobs—"What's the matter with her?"

Mrs. Hobnobs—"The baby is picking up a distinct Irish brogue."

BOTH LISTENED.

Badmin—"Great time we had last night, old man, wasn't it? Did you have any trouble in getting your wife to listen to your excuses for being home so late?"

Jagsley—"Oh, no; not at all. She listened all right and then"——

Badmin—"Well, what then?"

Jagsley—"Oh, I just listened to her, that's all."

1. THE WRONG HEAD.
JONES (*who has a bite*)—"I'll yank that eel out in a minute so quick it 'll make his head swim." (*Swish*——

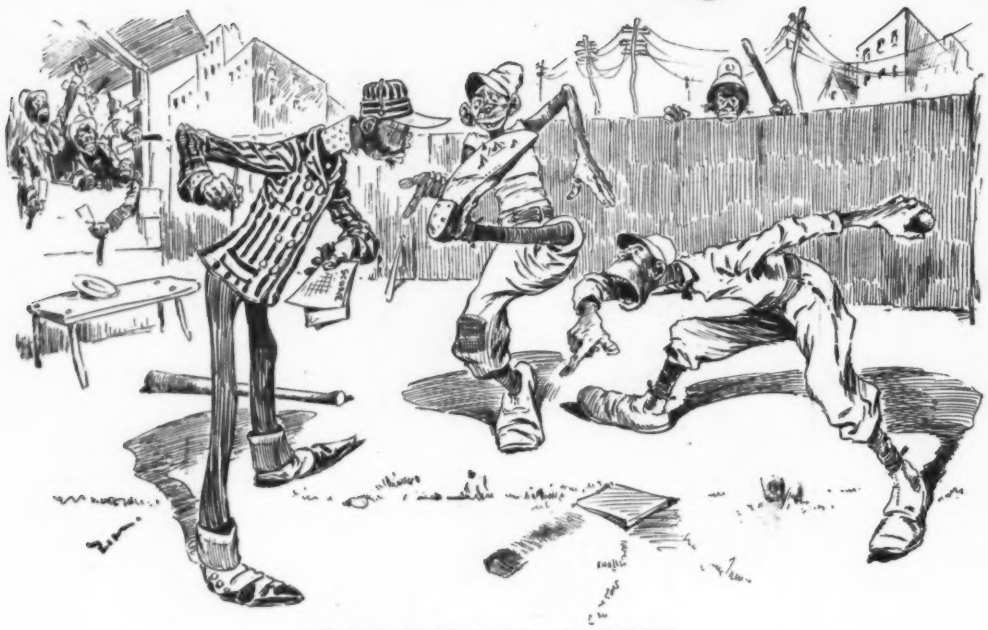
JOHNNY'S ANSWER.

Teacher—"What boy in the class can give me the past tense of migrate? Well, Johnny, I see you have your hand up. What is it?"

Johnny—"My gracious!"

EVERY human heart is the dwelling-place of at least one strong desire.

2. THE WRONG HEAD.
——*crack!*)



AN UNANSWERABLE ARGUMENT.

MR. JACKSON (*the Blackville catcher*)—"Call dat man out, empiah, fo' not techin' dat plate whain I tagged heem. Yar's hees heel-mark 'way back yer."

MR. JOHNSON (*the base-runner*)—"Scoah dat run, empiah. Look at de *length* ob dat foot frum de heel!"

THE "COMING WOMAN."

A LITTLE truant, unaware
Of studious ways and things distressing,
Who loves the free and open air
And doubts if school is such a blessing,

Is seen in street and field to stray
From one vain purpose to another,
Oblivious of the wasted day
And the tired patience of his mother.

At night, when through the door he peers,
There comes a greeting wholly human;
For through a slipper and his tears
Descends on him the "coming woman."

JOEL BENTON.

THE STRAW THAT BROKE THE CAMEL'S BACK.

Wife (three a. m.)—"John Henry, you're drunk!"

John Henry—"N-no (hic), my dear; I'm only ti(hic)red. Wez my slippers?"

Wife (in disgust)—"Over there beside the fire-place, where they have been since six o'clock last evening."

John Henry (after wandering around for half an hour)—"'Scuse me (hic), my dear. Wez the fire-place?"

THE SHAD SEASON.

"IT'S like eating a boiled paper of needles," growled the gourmet, picking from his tongue an invisible shad-bone.

"We're going to have all that remedied before next year," blandly responded the restaurateur.

"How?"

"By crossing the breed with jelly-fish, sir."

A LOST CHANCE.

ONE of the devotees of society, seeing the engagement of a society belle in one of the daily papers, said, "If I had known she was going to throw herself away I'd have offered myself."

WHERE THEY DREW THE LINE.

SHERIFF OF TOMBSTONE (*to Cholly Tenderfoot, who is inhaling a cigarette*)—"See here, young feller; wot *you* wanter *do* is ter take Horace Greeley's advice an' go west. We hain't got no use fer desperate characters in dis village. Yer liable ter debase de kids, an' yer've got ter go."

HIS HOLLOW SUBTERFUGE.

"COME here, Johnny; I must teach you your letters. Do you see that round letter? That is o; and that letter with a dot over it is i."

Johnny gaped and looked in the opposite direction and said, "Let's play something else."

A VICTIM OF HABIT.

Elder Berry—"I believe I told you Joblots used to be a school-teacher?"

Dr. Thirdly—"Yes. What of it?"

Elder Berry—"Ever since he got into the church he has been urging a change of text-books."

NOSE MEASURE.

SALESMAN—"What size handkerchief doth madam vish?"

SHE—"Oh, about five sizes smaller than yours."

WORKING HIS WAY.

A CABMAN rang Dittenhoeffer's door-bell repeatedly at three a. m., until a head finally appeared at an up-stairs window and asked, "What you want, down there?"

Cabby—"This where Dittenhoeffer lives?"

Head at window—"Yes."

Cabby—"Much obliged. They's a feller two doors above Dittenhoeffer's as wants to make a train."

IT IS risky to praise a woman's husband to her, and still more risky to disparage him.

MAKING THE BEST OF IT.

While that sudden April shower completely drenched Herr Poom-Poom his little son Otto was equal to the emergency.

RESIGNATION.

I DRANK her health.
Great guns! I drank it forty-seven
times;
And though my rhymes
Concerning it lack wealth
Of rhetoric and figured speech,
And poetry could never reach
The volume of her health
I drank, I must confess
That more or less
My own health was impaired, and I,
A sanitary martyr, cry,
"My head! Oh, oh, my head!"
Still, as I said,
I drank her health.

W. J. LAMPTON.

THE MISCHIEVOUS CAT AND THE GLOBE.

A SMALL FAVOR.

WEARY WILLIE—"Lady, could I hev a drink uv dis water?"
MRS. GREENE—"Certainly. There's the pump and there's the tumbler."
WEARY WILLIE (*insinuatingly*)—"I see, lady. Now ef you'll jes' work de handle fer a moment."

THE NATURE OF THINGS.

The poorer an umbrella is the stouter it appears; and the richer the umbrella the more you can see its ribs.

HUNTING FOR A CLEW.

"I FIND," said the analytical chemist, "strong indications that death was caused by slow poison. Do you suspect anybody?"

"I don't," replied the detective. "I must find if the deceased had any Philadelphia relatives who would be likely to profit by his death."

A GOOD REASON.

"WHAT name are you going to call your new donkey, Tommy?"

"Maxwelton, papa."

"Why are you going to call him Maxwelton?"

"Because Maxwelton's braes are bonny."

WORK.

WORK! 'Tis nature's grand specific
For all ills that irk,
Making life of good prolific.
Work!

Shun her wiles whose monsters lurk
Horned and hippogriffic,
Idleness, with vapid smirk.
Work!

Goddess, with the smile pacific
Beaming through the mirk.
I am yours, oh, beatific
Work!

JOHN GOADBY GREGORY.

ENCOURAGING.

AN INDIFFERENT marksman ought to be sure of a happy hereafter, for he is likely to miss fire in the next world.

HE KNEW THE SEX.

FIRST BURGLAR—"Lord, Bill! dis advertisement wouldn't fool nobody."
SECOND BURGLAR—"Wot is it?"
FIRST BURGLAR—"Fifty dollars reward an' no questions ast—signed by a woman."

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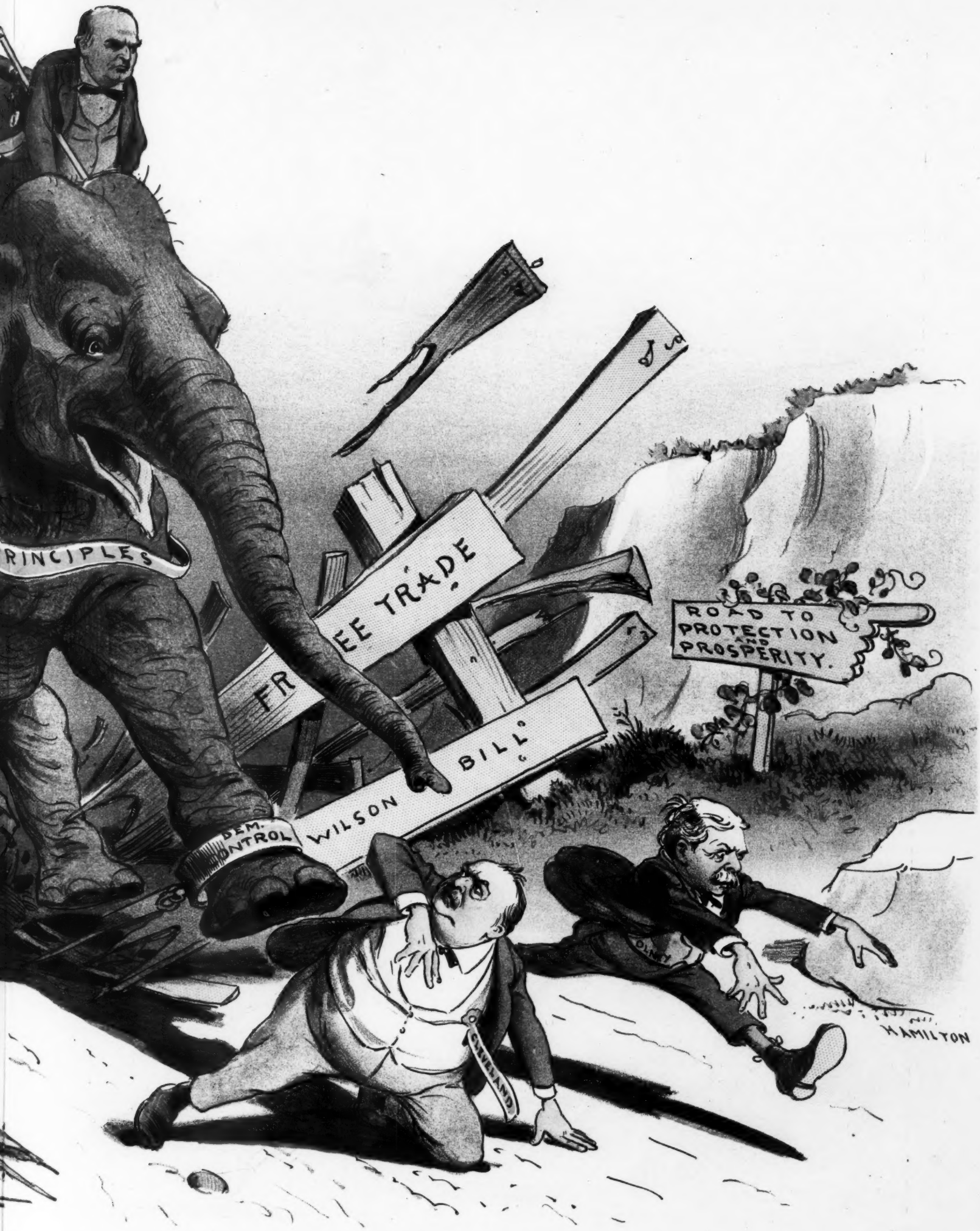

TION CAN STOP HIM.

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REALLY MEAN.

JACK—"I asked the old man for a raise of my salary yesterday, and referred to the fact that my hair had turned gray while I have been working for him."
TOM—"And what did he say?"
JACK—"He gave me a bottle of his own hair-tonic."

QUITE PROPER.

NURSE—"Come, Ruthie, it's bed-time. 'Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise,' you know."
RUTHIE—"Is that so? Well, I refuse to be mannish."

"WHY?" SHE ASKED.

Mr. Bloobumper—"My dear, you have an irritating habit of asking 'Why?' after every statement I make. Now won't you try to break yourself of the habit?"

Mrs. Bloobumper—"Why, certainly, my love. I'm sure I didn't know I did. I'll certainly try to break myself of the habit, as you suggest. But why?"

THE MEDICAL ANNEX.

"NOW, Mrs. Yates," said the professor, bringing his eyes to a focus on the attentive upturned face before him, "what is the difference between dilated and dilatable?"

Mrs. Yates paused a moment in deliberation. Then she raised her eyes and answered cordially, "Dilated and dilatable? Yes, sir!"

"Well, what is the difference?"

"The difference?" replied Mrs. Yates. "Dilated and dilatable?"

"Don't you think," said the professor in his most suasive and explanatory tone, "that dilated is"——

"Yes, sir," assented Mrs. Yates. "Dilated is"——

"Go on."

"I mean to say, dilated"——

"Of course," interposed the professor, "you must know that dilated is what has had"——

"Yes, sir; yes, sir."

"An increase"——

"Yes, sir. Dilated is what has had an increase!"

"In its natural size."

"Yes, sir. Exactly; in its natural size."

"Now, what is dilatable?"

"Yes, sir. There is a difference between dilated and dilatable."

"Assuredly. What is the difference?"

"'Um—hum. The difference, of course"——

"Don't you think that dilatable is"——

"Yes, sir!"

"What is susceptible"——

"Yes, sir. Dilatable is what is susceptible."

"Of being dilated?"

"Yes, sir. Of being dilated! That's just what I meant to say." And Mrs. Yates produced a voluminous note-book and proceeded to add thereto several pages of interesting data.

A BAD BREAK.

PRISONER—"I hope yer honer will be lenient wit' me, fer I am a poet."
JUDGE—"Hum—ever publish any poems?"
PRISONER—"Oh, yes, sir; lots of 'em."
JUDGE—"Six months."

1. HOW McMANUS TOOK HIS MEDICINE.

MRS. McMANUS—"Phwat did the doctor say?"
MR. McMANUS—"He towld me to put plasther on me back an' Oi would be all roight in a day or two."

2. HOW McMANUS TOOK HIS MEDICINE.

MRS. McMANUS (*one hour later*)—"McGinnis, the contractor, towld me if wan hodful wasn't enough I could get more."

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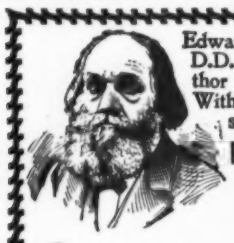

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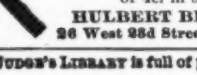

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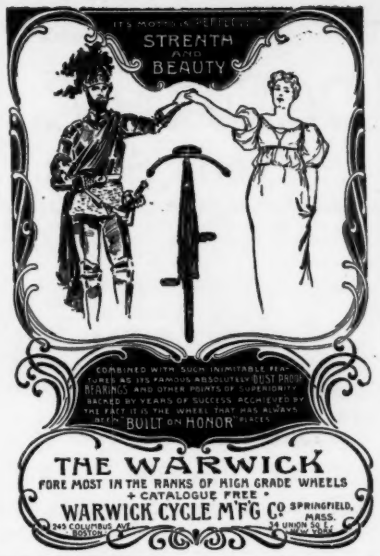

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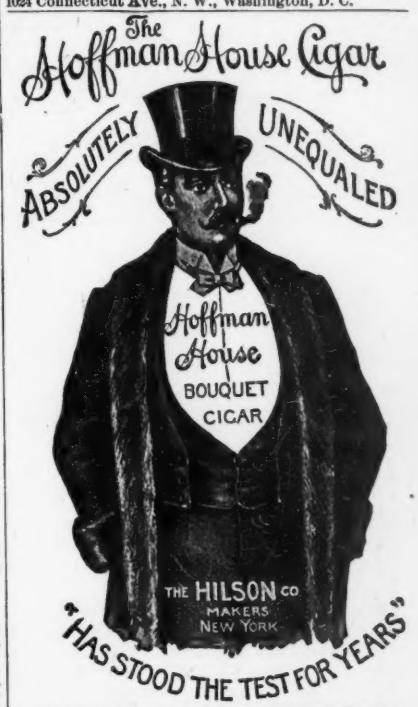

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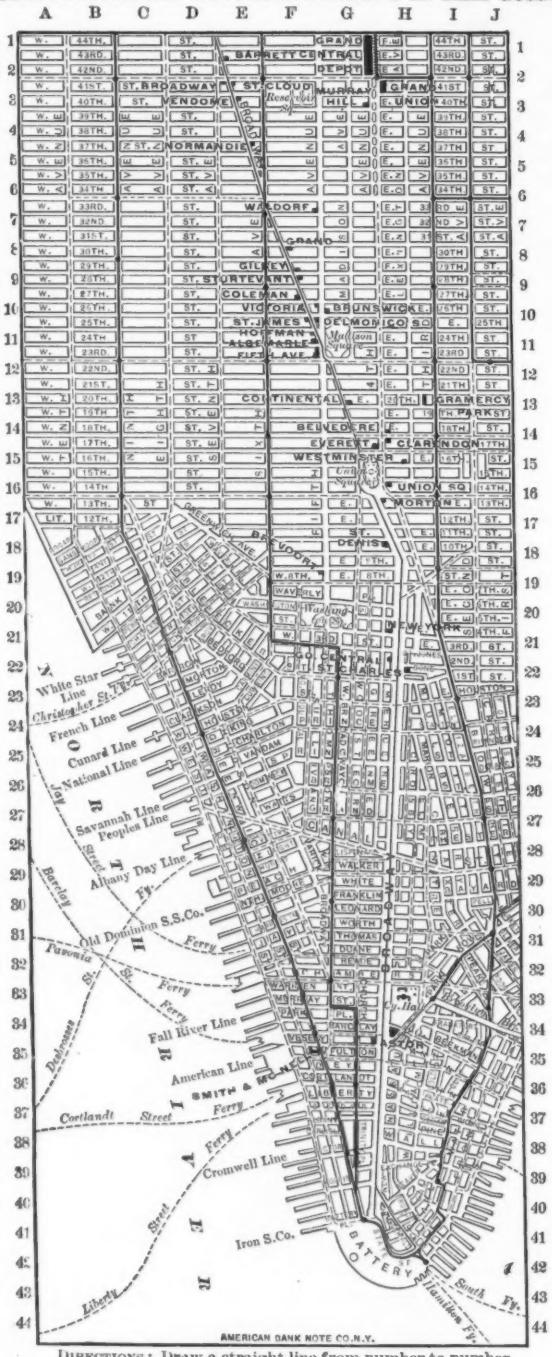

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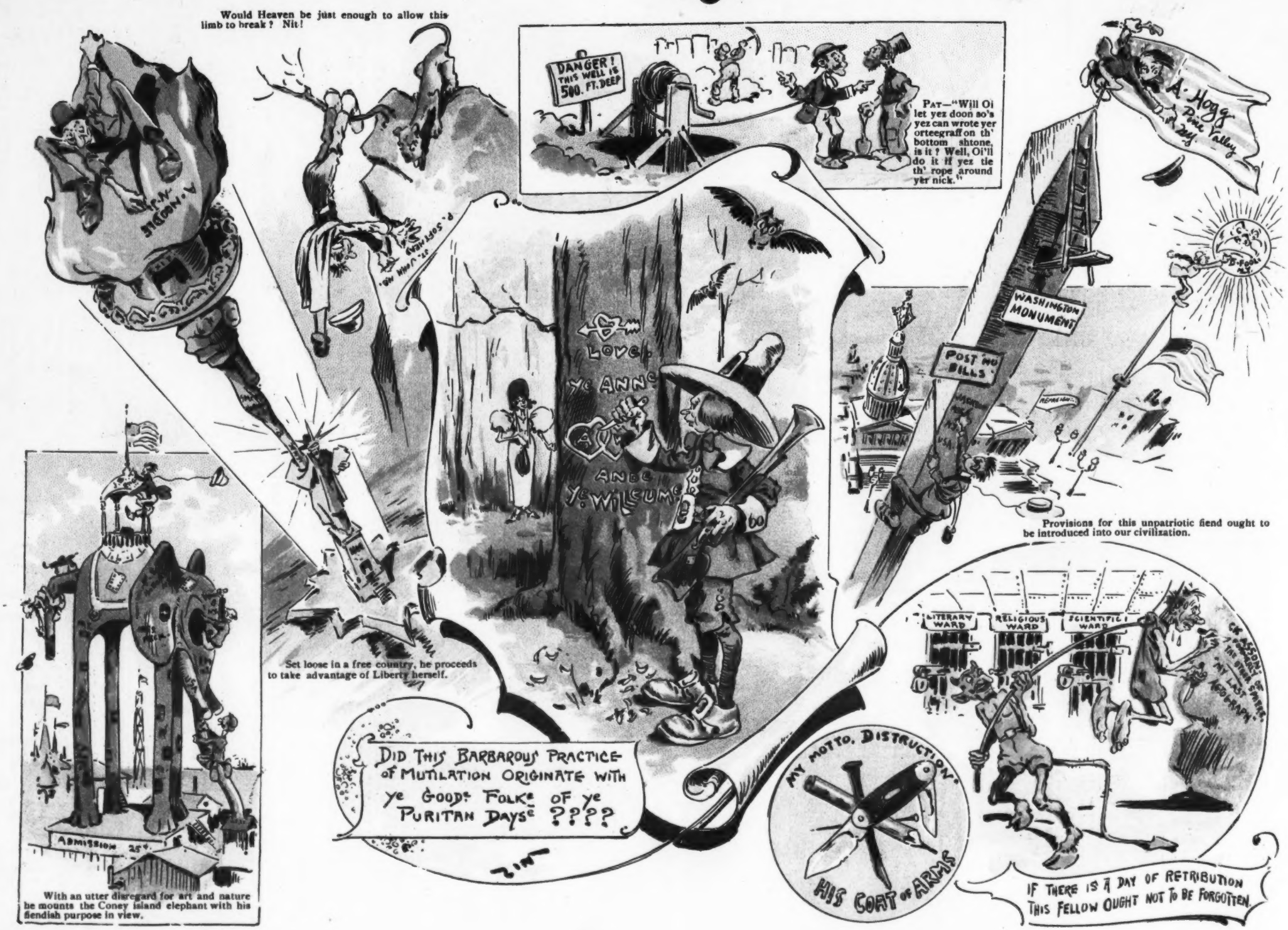

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